



# NEWS

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Editor: Taryn Bell

### **THE OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING OF BRIER CENTER**

On Saturday, July 4, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. we will be having the official Grand Opening of Brier Centre. This largely ceremonial event is to provide members, current board members, past presidents and other members involved in the refurbishment and redesign of Brier an opportunity to formally celebrate the opening of Brier.



The event will include:

The purpose of the project – achievements, timelines, the journey through the approval process, construction challenges and accomplishments

Financial challenges and decisions which led to deletions and compromise

Ribbon cutting ceremony and photo opportunities

Gather in the Great Room for closing statements and presentation loop of the construction process

Self-guided tour similar to the Open House

Invitation for ice cream on the patio

This is a family oriented event and a historic occasion in the history of the Park. We invite you to come and join us in our celebration.

Coleen Hunter, TR 7



## Recurring Events

**Cribbage & Bridge Night**—Every Saturday at 7pm starting July 11th at the Brier Center.

**Teen Swim**—Every other Saturday from 8:00pm-9:30pm (July 11th, 25th and so on)

	DATE	FUNCTION	PLACE	TIME	CONTACT	SITE NO.
<b>JULY</b>	04	PANCAKE BREAKFAST	ELM	8 to 11 am	Wes Gmur	31-07
	04	BRIER GRAND OPENING	BRIER	2:00 pm		
	11	BOARD MEETING	BRIER	9:00 am		
	18	SPORTS DAY	CIRCLE 17	10:00 am	COORDINATOR NEEDED	
	18	BINGO	ELM	7:30 pm	Dean MacKinnon	53-03
	18 & 19	BIRCH BAY SANDCASTLE COMPETITION				
	25	BBLP BASEBALL BUS TRIP MARINERS VS. BLUE JAYS	BRIER	BUS LEAVES 10:00 am SHARP!	Marilyn Sanders	CW -20
	26	CIRCLE REP MEETING	BRIER	10:00 am		
<b>AUGUST</b>	1	BALLOON SALE	BBLP SITE	9:00 am	Linda Chollette	52-05
	1	HAMBURGER DAY	ELM	11 am – 2 pm	Rob & Wendy Nicoll	18-12
	1	BINGO	ELM	7:30 pm	Dean MacKinnon	53-03
	2	KIDS DAY AT THE POOL	BRIER	10:00 am	Karen Jackson	44-04
	8	BOARD MEETING	BRIER	9:00 am		
	15	VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION	BRIER	2:00 PM	Karilee Green	20-08
	22	GOLF TOURNAMENT	DAKOTA CREEK & ELM	7:00 am	Wes & Carol Gmur	31-07
	23	CIRCLE REP MEETING	BRIER	10:00 am		
	29	BIRCH BAY DISCOVERY DAYS PARADE	BIRCH BAY DRIVE	11 am	FLOAT COORDINATOR NEEDED	
	29	BIKE PARADE	BRIER	1 pm	COORDINATOR NEEDED	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	5	PANCAKE BREAKFAST	ELM	8 to 11 am	Wes Gmur	31-07
	5	BINGO	ELM	7:30 pm	Dean MacKinnon	53-03
	6	AGM	BLAINE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER	9:30 am		
	6	CAESAR SUNDAY	BRIER	2 to 6 pm	Wes & Carol Gmur	31-07
	27	CIRCLE REP MEETING	BRIER	10:00 am		
<b>DECEMBER</b>	31	NEW YEARS DANCE – THE MAC DADDY BAND	ELM	TBA	Wes & Carol Gmur	31-07

Thanks to all the people who came forward again this year to coordinate events we all enjoy. We are still looking for coordinators for Sports Day, Discovery Days Parade Float and Bike Parade. We are always in need of volunteers for our fun filled special events in the park. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering please feel free to see Karilee Green at 20-08 or e-mail her at [skgreen@dccnet.com](mailto:skgreen@dccnet.com).



## **GARBAGE AND THE 3 R'S – REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE**

The second priority under our Mission Statement of Birch Bay Leisure Park says it all:

### **Protecting the environment:**

All members of Birch Bay Leisure Park are committed to the long term sustainability of our unique setting acting as stewards of our environment and resources.

This means:

- We crush all our aluminum cans and place them in the appropriately marked receptacles near the Administration Office
- We place newspaper and mixed paper in the appointed bins
- We compress our cardboard and place this in the cardboard containers at the Administration Centre
- We package our yard clippings in reasonable containers (yard waste bags are available from the Administration Centre for \$2.00 for 5 bags) at the brush bins located at Bathhouses \$3, 4, 5, 6,7, 8, 9 and 10 and Brier Center and Elm Center
- We take our waste from restoration and remodelling projects (concrete, old fencing and patios, etc.) and purchase a pass to place this in the landfill space at the rear of the park.

We do not:

- Bring old furniture, mattresses, and garbage from our Canadian homes and dump in the garbage bins at the Administration Center
- Place old patio furniture, broken fans, dead lawn mowers, and unwanted garbage at the brush bins for our staff to sort and recycle
- Leave unwanted furniture, discarded debris and no longer desired treasures at the garbage bins at the Administration Center.

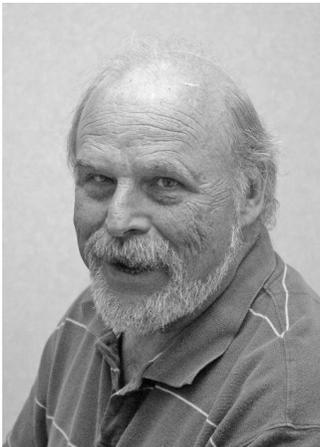
We pride ourselves as Canadians as people who reduce, reuse and recycle. Yet there are some members who are really abusing garbage and recycling privileges in the park. While our Garbage Expense in April 2015 was \$2,707.00 U.S. this does not include the labour cost of our staff sorting through the piles of rubbish at the brush bins in order to sort out recycling, garbage and yard waste. These hidden costs burden our staff and prevent them from dealing with their priority duties. Yet they are committed to working with us to preserve the look and feel of the park and our investment in Birch Bay Leisure Park. Be a good role model to your children, your grandchildren and your neighbours. Follow the guidelines for garbage and recycling!

Coleen Hunter  
TR -7

### **Dispatch No. 397**

#### **From the Shores of the Mighty**

#### **Lower Terrell Creek – Tributary No. 1: Leisure Park Drainage**



It is with heavy hearts that our party prepares for its departure from Birch Bay Leisure Park. Our educational stay here has been one of joy and challenge. Having overcome my initial language difficulties, I have been successful in forming the strong bonds of many enduring and rewarding relationships. The generosity and camaraderie of the village members, staff and elders is unparalleled by anything I have encountered in my travels.

However, the canoes are packed to the gunnels. The horizon beckons. And we must put paddle to the water.

Excerpts from the journals of LeRoy Smith, written during his final and successful attempt to reach the western coast of the North American continent.

It is unfortunate, that shortly after achieving his lifelong goal, he was captured by cannibals.

I'm sure his final wishes (other than not being eaten) would have been something akin to the following:

Be safe. Have fun. Respect your neighbors. And take those naps.

By: LeRoy Smith



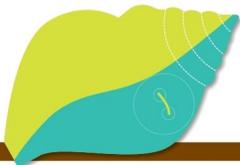
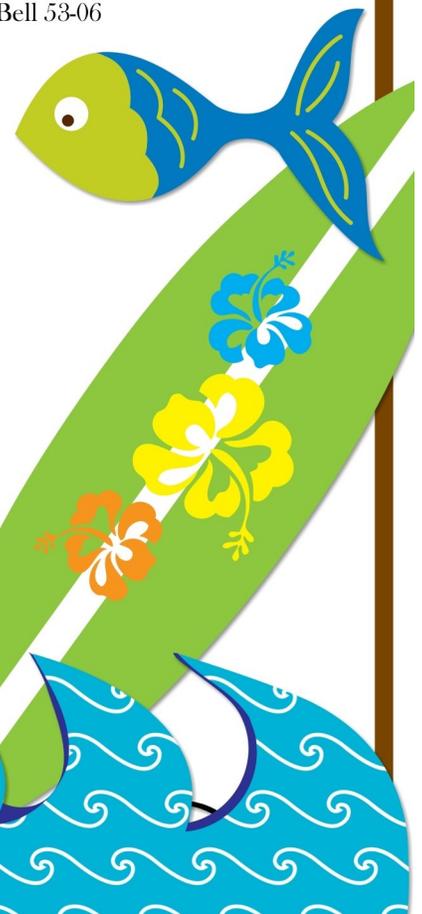
I am very happy to let you all know BBLP Facebook page is at 230 members! If you are not on it yet please join. We are trying to use it for instant info, community building and basic questions! There are rules we are asking our members to follow. Please do not ask the Board or the staff questions on the site, as they will not be answered on the Facebook page. We want positive community building, questions and comments, community pictures or if you are selling a fridge or sofa post it! It is a closed site, so no one who is not approved will be added. If the administrator see's no connection on your face book page to BBLP you will be asked for your site number. Please rest assured it is a private site, it is truly becoming an extension of our park community! If you need help joining come see me.

Taryn Bell 53-06

### Why do we love this park?

The last two weeks of June I find the hardest, I feel like Im 10 years old waiting for my school principal to ring the school bell and summer vacation to start in Birch Bay. I personally find great joy in hearing my two small daughters telling me they feel the same way about this magical place! What is it about the scent of the ocean mixed in with the fields and pine surrounding the park, or that first camp fire on the beach or in your circle or better yet the first trip to the C-shop for the season! Its pure joy for me and my family! We are truly blessed to share this place it's pure magic!

Taryn Bell



## General Manager's Report

Hello Members,

The month of June has gone quickly! It's been great to meet the all the different members that have come for the summer season. With the influx of population the BBLP team is gaining skills and learning to handle all that comes with going into the busy season. We hope we have served your needs to the best of our abilities. We will continue to learn all we can to make this park an amazing place to holiday.

A little bit of history for you. Since the war of 1812 the US and Canada have been at peace. This is why the flags are flown at the same level. In the US the US Flag is on the Right with the Canadian on the left. Take a short walk across the border and the order is reversed! The Canadian takes the right (unless flown with two other flags, in that case it is center) and the US on the left. If you are like me and love to read about history, visit the web sites [www.pch.gc.ca](http://www.pch.gc.ca) and [www.ushistory.org](http://www.ushistory.org) for more US and Canadian history. With the upcoming holidays it would be a great time to check your flags (if you fly them) and make sure that they are where they belong and in good condition.

On a less interesting note but of equal importance, SPEED LIMIT. The speed limit is 5mph/8kph through the entire park. We still need everyone's help with this. The speed limit in the park is for safety of all people within park boundaries, especially all the children. We should all take a moment to check our gauges when heading through the park. If you are concerned your speedometer is inaccurate then take a cruise down Main Line and check it against the digital speedometer display right by Circle 1. Security is keeping a close eye on the speed limit but they have many other duties than the speed limit to attend to. It's a big problem that needs big involvement to help reduce and eliminate.

Finally, I want to wish everybody a great Canada Day and Independence Day. Just a reminder the park does not allow fireworks within the park boundaries. Also, this year is extremely dry, the burn ban is in effect All outdoor fires are BANNED including yard waste fires, land clearing fires and recreational fires – including those in approved fire pits. Barbeques are still allowed but fire officials warn people to make sure coals are doused before they are discarded. Violating the burn ban can bring a \$250 fine from the Fire Marshal's office.

Let's have a great pair of holidays and make sure to watch out for each other. Be safe and have fun!! - Don Brown

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# SUMMER VACATION



## A Big Thank you!

The Board would like to thank Debbie Stewart for her hard work and dedication to Birch Bay Leisure Park. Debbie was doing our news letters for the last few years and we do appreciate all of her time and efforts.

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## July

- July 04 Pancake Breakfast
- July 18, Sports Day
- July 18 Bingo
- July 18-19 Birch Bay Sandcastle Competition.
- July 25 Bus trip Mariners vs Blue Jays

### Around Town

May 23- October Every Saturday  
(Blaine Gardeners Market)  
H Street Plaza, Downtown Blaine  
10:00am - 2:00pm

### Blaine's Old Fashion 4th of July Celebration

- 8 am-11:00am Pancake Breakfast - Community Center
- 8am - 3pm Show and Shine Car Show Martin & 4thst
- 10:00am-4:pm Blaine Library Book Sale
- Street Fair 10:00-5:00pm
- 12:00 - 1:30 Grande Parade Peace Portal Drive
- 12:00 8:00 pm MV Plover Ferry Rides Blaine Marina
- 4:00-9:00pm Clam Bake and BBQ Semiahmoo Resort
- 10:15pm Fabulous Fireworks Over the Harbor.

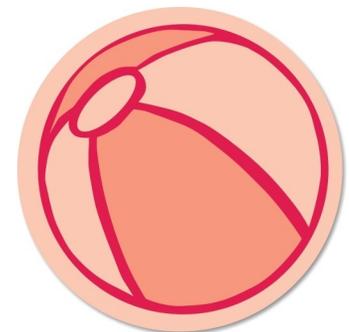


### The Birch Bay Water Slides

They are open from 10:00am - 6:00pm.

#### Rates

- 6 and older - \$19.95  
late day (after 3:00PM)  
\$14.95  
Have fun sliding!



Update from  
**Jan Faulkner**  
**Grounds & Maintenance**

Happy Canada Day. We will celebrate Canada Day on Wednesday 01 July 2015 with a display of flags located throughout the Park. The flags will be displayed early on



Wednesday morning and will be collected at about sunset. Our thanks to our American members for kindly allowing us to celebrate our national day.



On Saturday 04 July 2015 we will observe Independence Day with our American members and neighbours. Flags will go up

first thing in the morning and will be removed at sunset.

The flags were donated by a member for us to enjoy. Please do not remove flags or treat them with disrespect.

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Sudoku solution on page 31

**Fireworks.** Please remember the use of fireworks is prohibited in the Park. If previous years are any indication, there will be more than sufficient fireworks on the beaches along Birch Bay Drive. If you head out to the beach to join in the celebrations, please remember to wear your Park tags. This will help our team maintain security in the Park when dealing with high volume pedestrian traffic.

**Site maintenance** visits continue. Thank you to all those members who have undertaken major maintenance projects this season. Our collective efforts make our Park one of the best RV parks in Washington state. By carefully maintaining our Park we protect our recreational property and investment.

I continue to work with members to bring many of the older non-conforming hedges into compliance with our Regulations.

**Water Conservation.** Please use water wisely. As the summer proceeds we may face additional water restrictions. Watch for notice boards that will be posted near the Park entrance.

**Fire Safety.** Most of us have a portable fire extinguisher in our trailers. Is your extinguisher accessible and fully charged? Take a moment to check the gauge and anti-tamper seal.

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Update from  
**Jan Faulkner**  
**Board Secretary**

**Annual General Meeting.** Association By-law IV (a) states in part *“The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held on the Sunday preceding the first Monday in September in each year.”* Our 44<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting will be conducted on Sunday, 06 September 2015.

By-law IV (d) requires that *“At least thirty (30) days advance notice of all general meetings shall be given in writing by the Secretary to all members, addressed to the address recorded in the books of the Association.”* Therefore the Notice of Meeting materials will be mailed out by 06 August 2015.

You may recall my remarks concerning the Notice of Meeting delays we experienced in 2014, as promised here is an update. On 01 August 2014 I personally deposited meeting notices in three Canada Post mail boxes located adjacent to the West Georgia Street entrance of the Main Post Office. For reasons yet to be explained by Canada Post the envelopes were not post marked until 04 August 2014. Individual members reported receiving their notices on the 18 August 2014 causing them to miss the deadline for submission of questions.

Not surprisingly, Canada Post has not responded to my complaint. However, I note that the mail drop boxes at the location have been removed. Going forward we will use a Canada Post outlet which successfully processed our June 2015 dues invoice mail out and stamped a postmark on each envelope confirming the date delivered to the Post Office.

**Election of Directors.**

The September 2015 elections will be important for the Association. Four 2-year directorship terms end and one 2-year directorship that was appointed to complete a term must be elected for the remaining one year.

Terms Expire September 2016	Terms Expire 06 September 2015
Coleen Hunter	Jan Faulkner
Taryn Bell	Steve Lake
Appointed Richard Tutschek then Karilee Green By-law II (b) appointees	Larry Scott
	Diane Smith
	Karilee Green

The deadline for nominations for directors is at least then (10) days prior to 06 September 2015.



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It has been brought to our attention by many members that we have more furry B.B.L.P members than ever before. It seems even our guests that are visiting in the park have furry family with them.

The problem is we seem to have many members forgetting the pet rules in Birch Bay Leisure Park.

### Pets in our Park

- Pets must be on a leash and under control at all times within B.B.L.P when not contained on a member's site.
- Pets are NOT to be tethered outside any of our buildings including Brier & Elm.
- At no time are pets to be taken into any of our buildings.
- You must clean up after your pet!  
 There are two doggie walks, please use them and not our berms or our parks!
- Do not leave pet food out side, we have raccoons.

and coyotes in the area.

- Please be respectful of your negotiators if your furry family member barks.



Fines will be issued to members not following rules.

- \$30.00 for 1st off leash offense.

- \$50.00 for 1st offense of any piece of property being used as a doggy potty other than our doggy walks.



## Security Report for June 2015

Welcome back to another beautiful summer in Birch Bay! The month of June has brought us some fantastic weather and some familiar faces. As we move forward into July we expect to see more and more of our friends and neighbors arriving to spend this spectacular summer with us here at Birch Bay Leisure Park. We would like to wish everyone a safe and fun-filled summer holiday!



### **Birch Bay Leisure Park Rules and Regulations. Be safe. Be informed.**

Lost and Found items may be turned in to any Park employee. Found items will be held at the Administration Office.

Tents for couragous campers are allowed behind a privacy fence but **MUST** be collapsed between daytime hours of 9am and 9pm.

Laundry and the drying of clothing **MUST NOT** be done in public view. This means no to hanging towels, bathing suits or other clothes from fences, decks or railings.

All construction work in the Park is limited to the hours between 8am and 7pm. When 7 o'clock comes it's time for tools down and bottoms up!

There's also a couple of rules that apply to our fine canine friends. All dogs **MUST** be leashed if they are off of their site. Dogs must be walked in designated "Doggie Walk" areas. These areas are along the back end of Meadow Road past the RV Storage Parking or anywhere along Mainline Road.

Doggie waste clean-up bags and waste receptacles are provided for convenience in these areas. Dogs are not to be walked on the Park's grass berms. Berms are for use by the humans in the Park and doggie waste in these areas is a health and safety concern, especially for young children. Please be responsible for your pet.

### **BURN BAN IN WHATCOM COUNTY**

Yes folks, that's right. There's a burn ban in effect for all of Whatcom County. What does this mean for Birch Bay Leisure Park?

All outdoor fires are **BANNED** including yard waste fires, land clearing fires and recreational fires – including those in approved fire pits. Barbeques are still allowed but fire officials warn people to make sure coals are doused before they are discarded.

Violating the burn ban can bring a \$250 fine

### **Park Citations issued in June-**

6/7/15 Guest drove through front gate, breaking the wooden gate arm. Member fined.

6/13/15 Guest speeding on Acadia Way. Member fined.

6/18/15 Incident report regarding missing and/or stolen items. Under investigation.

6/19/15 Guest speeding on Center Way. Member fined.

6/21/15 Guest speeding on Mainline. Member fined.

6/27/15 Member drove thru front gate, breaking wooden arm. Member fined.

6/28/15 Guest speeding on Mainline. Member fined.

### Also during the month of June:

Seven Rec Tags were recovered and returned to their owners.

Nineteen construction permits were issued to various park sites.

Thirteen sites were brought into full compliance via site inspections.

## PARK WILDLIFE



Please be aware that we currently have an issue with raccoons and coyotes in the park.

Be very careful with your small children and your pets. The park has hired a wildlife expert to see how to handle this issue. Coyotes feed on small animals, and they can be very aggressive towards people so please be aware. Raccoons may be very adorable but they can be very dangerous to both pets and people. Do not leave any food out, they WILL FIND IT.

As many of you have noticed we have many speeders in the park this summer!

Well, our security staff has noticed this as well! They are and will be fining anyone going over 5 mile per hour so slow down.



## POOL RULES

Please make sure you understand our pool rules for minor children.

Rules are posted outside the pool and are to be followed. Showers are mandatory from the county, please make sure you take one and bring your pool tag. Be kind to our great pool staff,

They are doing a great job.



## FROM THE ADMINISTRATION CENTER

The park experienced car prowls on the evening of May 15th. Please lock your cars at night and report all security concerns to Security or the Administration Center.

Here are some of the services offered by the park and your staff:

**Propane Tanks** - We fill your small propane tanks. At the Admin Center – between the recycling bins and the dirt – is the propane filling station. Tanks left on the 'EMPTY' side by 4:00pm will be ready for pickup by 4:30pm on the 'FULL' side. That is the sequence that fulfills your propane needs – and your tank for that matter. Please be sure that your tank is clearly marked with your site number.

**Topsoil & Gravel** - We load our vehicle with 3-way topsoil, limestone, or chipped rock. Or you may purchase these commodities by the 5 gallon bucket or wheelbarrow (you fill). We usually keep less than 10 yards of these commodities in stock, so if you need more than a yard or two you should contact a supplier.

**Brush Bins** - Each bathhouse has a brush bin for small bundles and bags of yard waste ONLY. Compost bags are available at the office, five for \$2.00.

**Garbage** - Please place bagged, household garbage in the dumpsters located at the bathhouses and at the front of the park. To dispose of larger items (carpet, mattresses, furniture, etc.) please stop by the office to purchase a dump permit to visit the "landfill". The cost is \$20 and is good for 10 days.



**Recycling** - Please recycle. Aluminum cans (preferably crushed) go in the recycling shed. Newspapers, mixed paper, cans & jars go in bins in front of the shed. Please flatten plastic jugs. Cardboard goes in the bin inside the recycling shed at the front. Please flatten. Additional recycling locations are: Bath House #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8 #9, #10 – Brier Center and Elm Center. Further details about recycling are available at the administration office.

### Reminder to our Canadian Members

**If you experience a medical emergency while in the states please visit the emergency room at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bellingham. The urgent care medical centers are not equipped to take Canadian patients. Canadians should not cross the border without appropriate travel and medical insurance.**



**Laundry** - Bathhouses 3, 4, 8 & 9 have coin operated washers and dryers. (\$2.25 US to wash & \$1.00 US to dry)

**Please, no Canadian coins.**

**Utilities** - We respond to your water, power and sewer problems. If it's a park problem we fix it. If not, then we have enough experience to point you toward a solution. Please be aware of the delicate disposition of our sewer system. Sewage is pumped out of the park and our pumps choke on the smallest of things; a dish rag, that messy diaper (even a supposedly disposable diaper), a potted plant with its roots, a knife. When these things reach the pump, someone has to go down there and clear them. Let's just say that's disgusting.

**Compressed Air** - Outside the shop door, we provide compressed air for your flat tires.

**Construction / Maintenance Permit** - All construction requires a permit. The applications are available at the Administration Center.

**Mail & Parcels** - Please stop by the Administration Center to pick up your mail and parcels to make room for more.

**WiFi** - Open WiFi is available at the Administration Center. ECCO OFFICE FREE

**birchbayleisurepark.com** - We maintain a webpage (<http://www.birchbayleisurepark.com>). It contains the events calendar, by-laws/rules & regulations, board minutes, messages from board members, for sale lists, this newsletter and a raft of spiffy things to know.

Be safe. Have fun. Be kind to each other.

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**Birch Bay Leisure Park  
Election of a Treasurer  
For the 2015-2017 Fiscal Years  
AGM - September 6, 2015**

Steve Lake is retiring after three years as Treasurer. Qualified members are encouraged to submit their application.

**The role entails the following responsibilities:**

- Chair of the Finance Committee – twice a year the budget is reviewed – at the end of October for the following year and at the beginning of May for the following 6 months. Semi-annual dues setting takes place as part of these reviews. The Finance Committee currently has 3 supporting volunteers.
- Monthly reporting for Board meetings of any significant financial matters. This includes Variance Reporting for the month just completed. These written reports become part of the minutes reported to the Members.
- Participation on the HR and Compensation Committee which includes the President and the Park's GM. In December each year staff performances are reviewed and raises and bonuses determined. This Committee is also responsible for hiring and firing although significant decisions are approved by the Board.
- Cheque signing officer along with designated Board members.
- Review and approval of all invoices for payment, sometimes after the fact.
- Direction provided to BBLP Office Manager/In House Accountant.
- Direction provided to BBLP General Manager, in conjunction with the Board Chair – ensuring Board policies are being followed and providing support for daily activities.
- Presentation at the Town Hall Meeting in May each year providing financial update.
- Presentation at the Annual General Meeting providing financial update.
- Providing reports for our monthly newsletter when published – May to September.
- Providing reports for the occasional email blast to members.



**Skill Set**

- Ideally a professional accountant but not required. Other appropriate occupations include banker, business owner, investment banker, lawyer, economist, mortgage broker, real estate and /or bookkeeper. But it is important to have good business sense.
- Prior board experience and/or experience working on or with a strata council.
- Good understanding of parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order.
- Related experience with compensation and employee benefits plans is an asset.
- Don't forget that you will have the support of the professionals of a good Finance Committee.
- You will also have the support of a good In House Accountant.

**Perks**

- Each Director receives an annual expense allowance of \$240.
- The Treasurer receives a semi-annual 50% discount on all dues and surcharges.
- Steve Lake, the current Treasurer, is willing to serve the following year on the Finance Committee to provide support. He is also willing to help with or do the presentations for the Town Hall Meeting and AGM if necessary.



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# Recipes



## Blueberry Muffins

Wonderful muffins bursting with berries are a perfect way to start the day, or enjoy them with an afternoon cup of tea. For best results, have the eggs and milk at room temperature.

Portion Size 12

### Ingredients

2 cups (500 ml) all-purpose flour  
2 tsp (10 ml) baking powder  
1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt  
1/2 cup (125 ml) butter, softened  
1 cup (250 ml) granulated sugar  
2 eggs  
3/4 cup (175 ml) milk  
1 1/2 cups (375 ml) blueberries



### Preparation

In bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. In separate bowl, cream butter with sugar; beat in eggs one at a time. Gradually stir in milk (mixture may appear curdled). Make a well in centre of dry ingredients; pour in liquid and stir just until moistened. Gently fold in blueberries.

Spoon into large paper-lined or well-greased muffin cups, filling to top. Bake in a 374 degrees Fahrenheit (190 degrees Celsius) oven for 25 to 30 minutes or until tops are firm to the touch.

## Potato Puffs

### Ingredients

3 cups mashed potatoes  
2 eggs  
1/3 cup sour cream  
1 heaping cup sharp cheddar cheese  
2 tablespoons grated parmesan  
2 tablespoons chopped chives or parsley  
Salt and black pepper, to taste

### Preparation

Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit. Lightly grease with butter 8-9 wells of non-stick muffin pan. In a medium mixing bowl whisk the eggs then mix in the sour cream. Stir in both cheeses and the chives. Add potatoes and mix well. Spoon them into the pan filling the cups to slightly below the top. Bake 25-35 minutes until they pull away from the sides of the cup and are golden brown. Remove from the oven and cool 5 minutes in pan. Serve with sour cream and chopped chives or parsley, if desired.



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# Thinking about running for the Board?

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## Requirements for directorship

- You must be a member in good standing of the Association
- A desire to serve your community sharing your time, life and work experience
- Able to set aside personal interests in favour of what is the best for the Association
- Able to attend regular monthly board meetings
- Expected to take on an active portfolio

## When are the elections held?

By-law IV (a) sets the date for elections as the Annual General Meeting held on the Sunday preceding the first Monday in September of each year.  
This year the date is Sunday, 06 September 2015

## What's involved in a nomination?

Recognizing the legal and administrative obligations a member is about to undertake, the Association requires that candidates be proposed by one member in good standing and seconded by another member in good standing.

The nominee is required to sign the form indicating that he/she will accept the nomination and if elected will faithfully serve to a two year term on a twelve month basis.

**BIRCH BAY LEISURE PARK ASSOCIATION**  
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**NOMINATION FORM**

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Site No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed by \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Site No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Site No. \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby accept this nomination. If elected as director I will faithfully serve a two year term on a twelve month basis.  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations MUST be filed with the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the annual meeting.  
Please forward completed forms to Nominating Committee Chairman:

The following information is voluntary and if provided will be used for distribution to the members prior to the election.  
Member of Leisure Park since (date) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous Leisure Park Committee experience \_\_\_\_\_  
Other information or experience that would of interest to the voters: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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## Now the legal stuff.....

Nominations may not be made at the Annual General Meeting. Nominations for the office of Director of the Association shall be not valid unless a written acceptance of such nomination by the nominee has been

## Easy Crossword Puzzle #10 by Dave Fisher (puzzles.about.com)

### Across

- 1. Having \_\_ hair day
- 5. "Far out!"
- 9. Silent
- 12. Sea Biscuit's mother, for example
- 13. Peruvian capital
- 14. I, in Rome
- 15. Gratified
- 17. Tuna container
- 18. Sharp footwear?
- 19. Some people work them
- 21. Stetson, for example
- 22. "Long time no \_\_\_!"

- 23. Things to look through
- 27. It needs a licking
- 31. Cause of inflation?
- 32. Curtain holder
- 34. Scary word
- 35. Orate
- 38. Downward movement
- 41. \_\_\_ Zeppelin
- 43. Bikini Bottom setting
- 44. He hopes to make a hit
- 47. Starts a tennis match
- 51. Part of N.A.
- 52. Latent talent

- 54. Beers in a pack
- 55. Always
- 56. Aware of
- 57. Yes, in Yokohama
- 58. Monthly expense
- 59. Hatchling's home

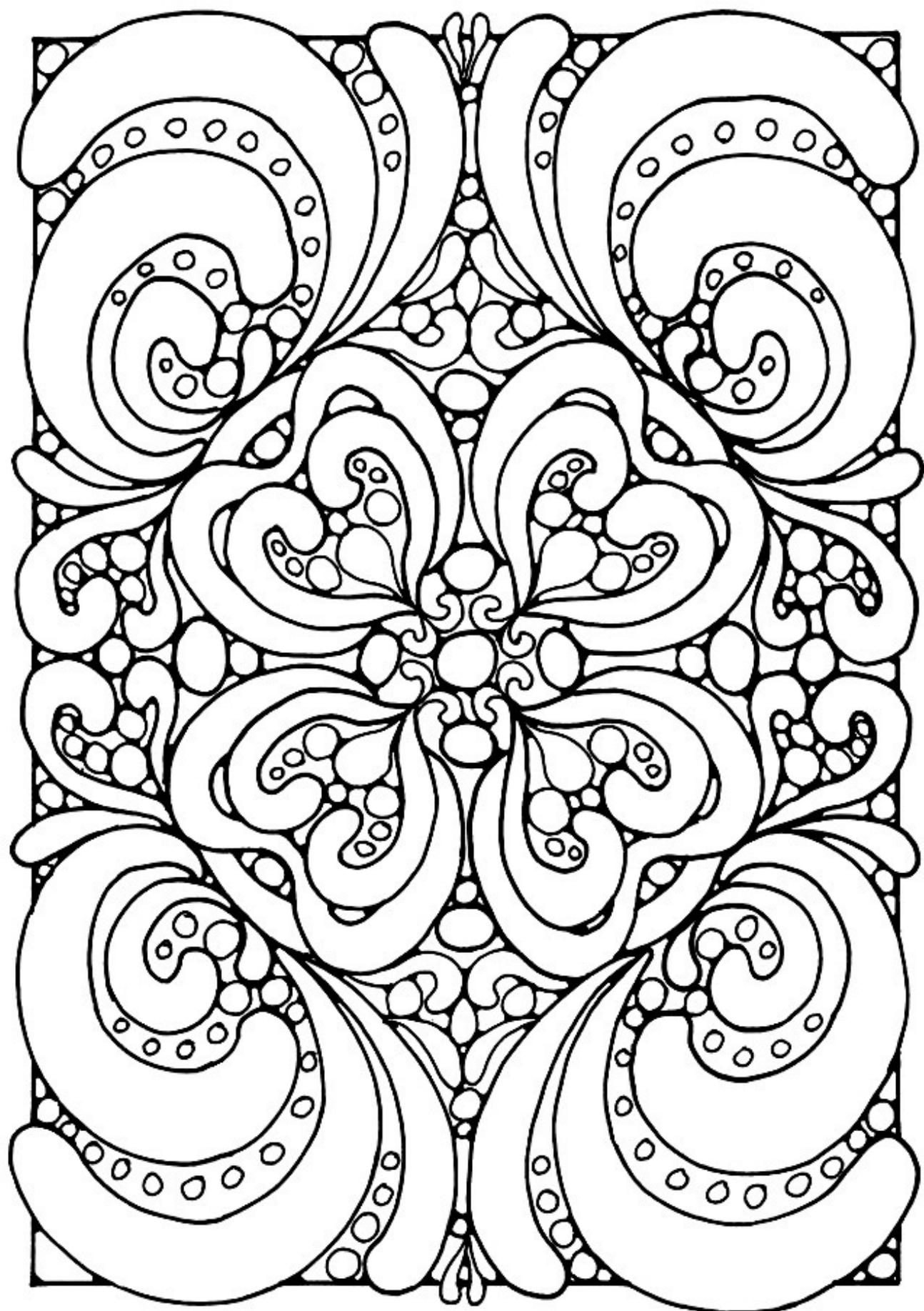
### Down

- 1. Roadie's load 'em
- 2. Pitcher's error
- 3. \_\_\_ 51
- 4. "And how many \_\_\_ will it take..." (Dylan lyric)
- 5. Tight group
- 6. Listen: Sp.
- 7. Signs
- 8. "\_\_\_ and gentlemen"

- 9. Luna or gypsy
- 10. Tight group
- 11. Sign on a washroom door
- 16. Caribbean and others
- 20. "\_\_\_ lost!"
- 23. It gets us going
- 24. Backtalk
- 25. Roses \_\_\_ red...
- 26. Lay turf
- 28. Homer's dad
- 29. Calendar abbreviation
- 30. Big belly
- 33. Meal finisher, maybe

- 36. Letters on a keyboard
- 37. Zoo \_\_\_
- 39. "...ever \_\_\_ the rain" (CCR lyric)
- 40. A box of boxes
- 42. Went by car
- 44. Clinton follower
- 45. Largest continent
- 46. Cab
- 48. Ivy, e.g.
- 49. Breaks a fast
- 50. Place to put money in a casino
- 53. Mark of perfection

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**11<sup>th</sup>** - Annual July Picnic & Barbecue  
**17<sup>th</sup>** - Third Friday of the month - **Mexican Dinner**  
**24<sup>th</sup>** - Fourth Friday of the month - **Burger Night**  
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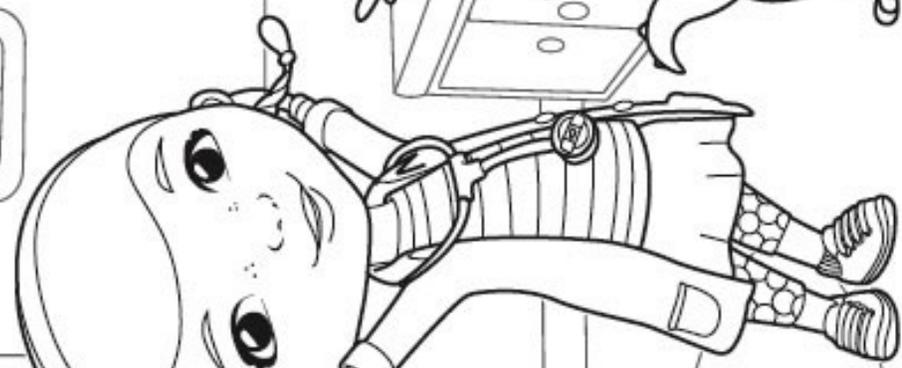
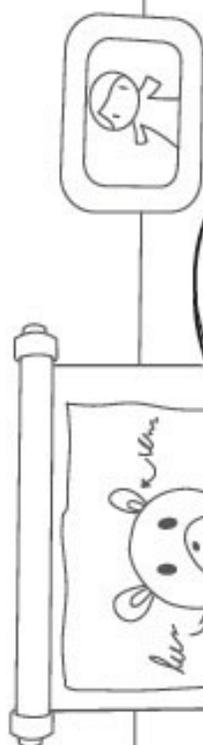
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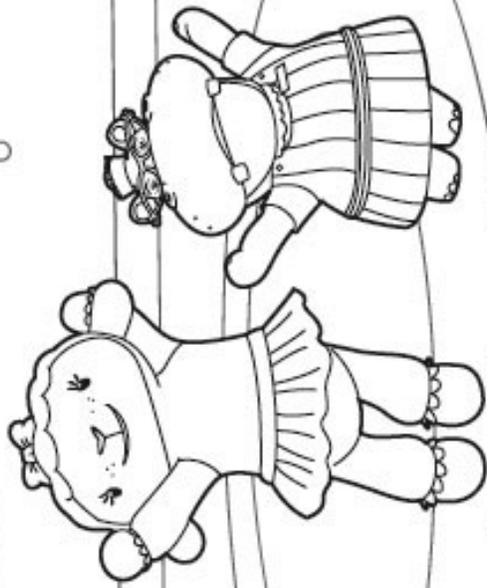
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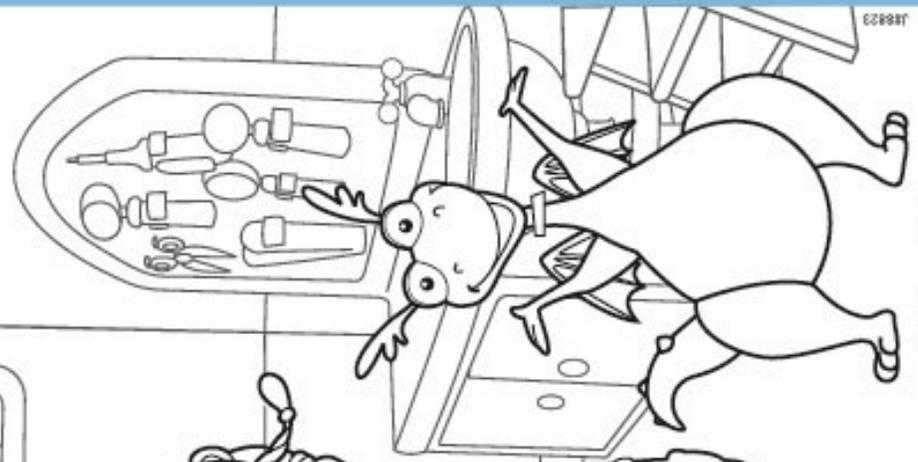


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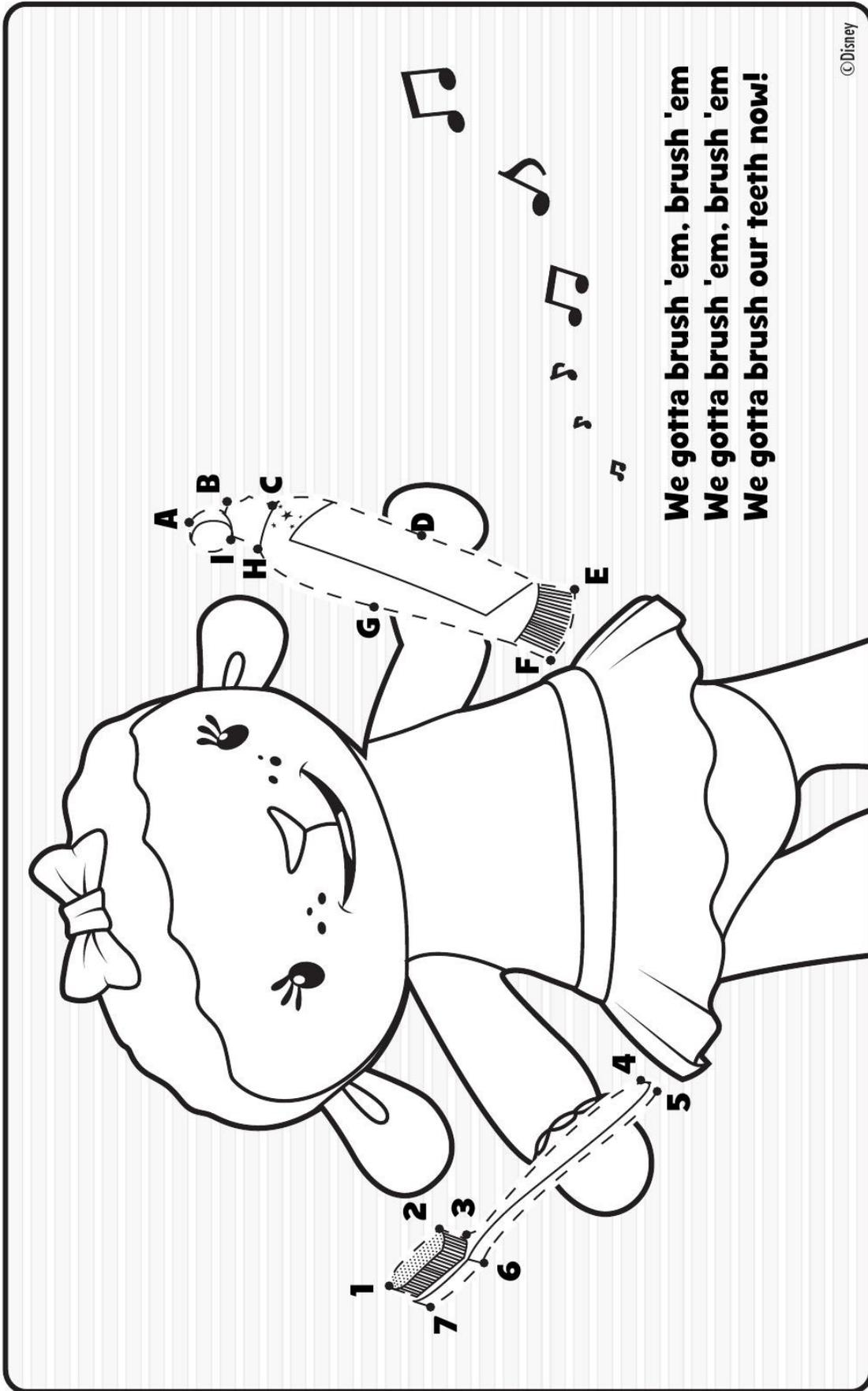


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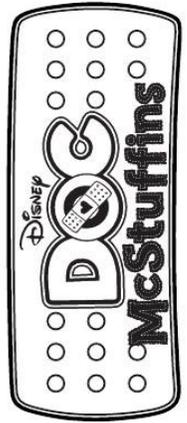


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# Physics 1

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.  
The remaining 30 letters spell an Albert Einstein quotation.

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| DOPPLER      | KELVIN         | PRINCIPLES | WORK          |
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Solution to sudoku on page 7

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9	5	6	3	8	1	7	4	2
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3	7	2	6	1	4	8	5	9
6	1	8	9	7	5	2	3	4
5	9	4	8	2	3	6	1	7

Solution to crossword puzzle on page 22

A	B	A	D		C	O	O	L		M	U	M
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Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
1	We	346am	8.5	721pm	9.3	1131am	-1.9	845pm	511am	
2	Th	431am	8.4	756pm	9.7	1214am	6.7	918pm	612am	Full
3	Fr	521am	8.2	832pm	9.9	105am	6.4	917pm	720am	
4	Sa	615am	7.9	907pm	10.0	157am	6.0	917pm	833am	
5	Su	716am	7.4	943pm	10.0	250am	5.4	916pm	948am	
6	Mo	824am	6.9	1020pm	9.9	346am	4.6	916pm	1103am	
7	Tu	943am	6.3	1058pm	9.8	445am	3.7	915pm	1218pm	
8	We	1113am	5.9	1138pm	9.7	546am	2.7	915pm	132pm	3rd
9	Th	1256pm	6.0			647am	1.7	914pm	244pm	
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11	Sa	102am	9.3	406pm	7.3	839am	-0.2	913pm	503pm	
12	Su	147am	9.1	510pm	8.1	928am	-0.9	912pm	606pm	
13	Mo	233am	8.8	600pm	8.8	1014am	-1.4	911pm	704pm	
14	Tu	319am	8.6	641pm	9.2	1055am	-1.6	911pm	754pm	
15	We	406am	8.2	718pm	9.4	1135am	-1.6	910pm	837pm	
16	Th	452am	7.9	751pm	9.5	1229am	6.2	909pm	914pm	New
17	Fr	539am	7.5	822pm	9.5	116am	5.8	908pm	946pm	
18	Sa	626am	7.2	851pm	9.3	200am	5.4	907pm	1015pm	
19	Su	716am	6.8	919pm	9.2	242am	5.0	906pm	1041pm	
20	Mo	809am	6.4	947pm	9.0	325am	4.5	905pm	1106pm	
21	Tu	907am	6.1	1015pm	8.8	409am	4.0	904pm	1130pm	
22	We	1015am	5.8	1044pm	8.7	456am	3.4	903pm	1155pm	
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28	Tu	148am	8.3	539pm	8.4	943am	-0.7	855pm	257am	
29	We	239am	8.3	613pm	8.9	1025am	-1.3	854pm	354am	
30	Th	334am	8.4	645pm	9.2	1107am	-1.7	852pm	500am	
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ADULT SWIM:	Noon to 1:00 pm
	4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
TEEN SWIM	Every other Saturday starting June 13 <sup>th</sup> . 8:00pm – 9:30pm

The Pool Attendants are not lifeguards.

Pool tags, bathhouse key and showers are required for entry to pool. Adults must accompany children under 13 years of age into the pool to ensure their safety.

**CB RADIO INFORMATION**

**Channel 14** is monitored by the Office & Park Security for Emergencies

IT'S JULY ALREADY!  
OH NO! OH NO!



WHAT HAPPENED TO JUNE?! SUMMER VACATION IS SLIPPING THROUGH OUR FINGERS LIKE GRAINS OF SAND!



IT'S GOING TOO FAST! WE'VE GOT TO HOARD OUR FREEDOM AND HAVE MORE FUN! TIME RUSHES ON! HELP! HELP!



I DON'T THINK I WANT TO BE HERE AT THE END OF AUGUST.



AAUGH! IT'S A HALF-HOUR LATER THAN IT WAS HALF AN HOUR AGO! RUN! RUN!